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EXTREMELY IMPORTANT YOU OBSERVE UTMOST SECURITY PRECAUTIONS SKURIN  
OPERATION AND DESIRE YOU USE COMPETENT OUTOUT POSSIBLY CIG FOR  
INITIAL CONTACT. BELIEVE MOST INADVISABLE THAT ANY CIG STAFF MEM-  
BER SEE SKURIN BEFORE HIS POSSIBLE REACTION CAN BE GAUGED. ALSO  
CONSIDER POSSIBILITY HIS PLAYING ALONG WITH US AND REPORTING TO  
RUSSIANS WHO WOULD WELCOME SUCH CONTACT WITH AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE  
OFFICERS. OTHER ALTERNATIVE TO BE CONSIDERED WOULD BE SKURIN'S  
REPORTING BLACKMAILING ATTEMPT TO HIS SUPERIORS WHICH MIGHT RESULT  
IN SERIOUS DIPLOMATIC EMBARRASSMENT.

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